

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 4 and 6-10 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claims 2, 3 and 5 as follows:

LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Canceled)

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) ~~The locking apparatus combined with a fastener to control locking/unlocking thereof as claimed in claim 1,~~ A locking apparatus combined with a fastener to control locking-unlocking thereof, the locking apparatus comprising a housing and a female fastener, the housing defining a cavity
5 in which a locking unit is mounted, the female fastener defining a cavity in which a controlling unit is disposed, the locking unit including a numeral wheel for operating the locking unit into a locked state or an unlocked state to release a male fastener, the controlling unit including a rotary section, a reactor and a driven unit which are
10 disposed on the rotary section, whereby a key is inserted into the rotary section to drive and rotate the rotary section, making the reactor and the driven unit rotated
into an unlocked state to release one end of the male fastener, wherein the locking unit includes a valve block having a fixed end connected with a lock core of the numeral wheel, when the numeral wheel locking unit is in an unlocked state, the valve block being permitted to horizontally displace, whereby a free end of the valve
15 block can be is disengaged from a wall of the housing, a resilient member being disposed on lower side of the fixed end to always support the valve block and permit the valve block to be perpendicularly disposed to lever a restricting section.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The locking apparatus combined with a fastener to control locking/unlocking thereof as claimed in claim 2, wherein the restricting section is pivotally connected with the housing and includes an arm for detaining a the male fastener.

Claims 4. (Canceled)

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) The locking apparatus combined with a fastener to control locking/unlocking thereof as claimed in claim 3, wherein the male fastener includes a first end, a shoulder section formed on the first end and a second end having legs which ~~can be~~ are detained by the female fastener, whereby the first
5 end ~~can be~~ is inserted into the ~~the~~ an opening of the housing with the arm of the restricting section grasping the shoulder section of the first end.

Claims 6-10. (Canceled)